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FM CDR USPACOM HONOLULU HI
TO RUEHBJ/AMEMBASSY BEIJING
RHHMHAA/COMPACFLT PEARL HARBOR HI//FCC/N3/N420//
RUHVPAC/PACAF HICKAM AFB HI//AOS/AOC/AOCP/POSC//
RUHVMXA/PACAF COMMAND CENTER HICKAM AFB HI//AOS/AOC/AOCP//
RHMFIUU/CDRUSARPAC FT SHAFTER HI//ADOP-OP/APOP-OP/APIM//
RUEAHIC/CDRUSARPAC FT SHAFTER HI//ADOP-OP/APOP-OP/APIM//
RUFTTSA/COMMARFORPAC
RUHEHMS/COMMARFORPAC
RHMFIUU/COMUSKOREA CC SEOUL KOR//FKJ3-OP-CC//
RUAGCCP/COMUSKOREA CC SEOUL KOR//FKJ3-OP-CC//
RUALSFJ/COMUSJAPAN YOKOTA AB JA//J34/J36//
RUALSFJ/COMUS COMMAND CENTER YOKOTA AB JA//J34/J36//
RHHMUNS/COMSOCPAC HONOLULU HI
RUCQSAA/COMSOCPAC HONOLULU HI
RUNGFAA/USPACOM REP GUAM ISLAND GU
RUEHML/USPACOM REP PHILIPPINES MANILA RP
INFO RUEKJCS/CJCS WASHINGTON DC
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PAGE 02 RHHMUNA5186 UNCLAS
RUPEUSA/HQ USNORTHCOM
RUCEAAC/HO NORAD COMMAND CTR CHEYENNE MOUNTAIN AFS CO
RUHHHGA/ALCOM ELMENDORF AFB AK//CP/J3/J5/OC//
RUHHHGE/ELMENDORF COMMAND CENTER ELMENDORF AFB AK//CP//
AIG 7056
AIG 11283
RHHMUNA/CDR USPACOM HONOLULU HI//CDO/CAT/J3/J34/EAO//
UNCLAS //N0000//
MINIMIZE CONSIDERED//
MSGID/GENADMIN/USPACOM//
SUBJ/USPACOM DOD TRAVEL RESTRICTION - CHINA AND HONG KONG//
PASSING INSTRUCTIONS: FOR AMEMBASSIES, PASS TO US DEFENSE ATTACHES. FOR
AMEMBASSY BANGKOK, PASS TO CO JUSMAGTHAI. FOR AMEMBASSY MANILA, PASS TO
USDR. FOR AMEMBASSY JAKARTA, PASS TO CO OMADP. FOR AMEMBASSY MOSCOW, PASS
TO AMCONSUL VLADIVOSTOK.//
REF/A/GENADMIN/CDR USPACOM HONOLULU HI/190014Z MAR 03//
REF/B/GENADMIN/CDR USPACOM HONOLULU HI/190214Z DEC 02//
NARR/REF A IS GENERAL GUIDANCE FOR PACOM COMMANDERS AND FORCES IN RESPONSE TO
A POTENTIAL THREAT FROM SEVERE ACUTE RESPIRATORY SYNDROME (SARS). REF B IS
USPACOM DOD TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS - UPDATED SEMI-ANNUAL SUMMARY.//
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RMKS/1. CDR USPACOM DIRECTS ALL SUBORDINATE COMMANDS TO FURTHER DISSEMINATE
THIS TRAVEL RESTRICTION TO THEIR SUBORDINATE COMMANDS AND TRANSIENT UNITS NOT
IN RECEIPT OF THIS MESSAGE. COMMANDS WILL ENSURE THIS INFORMATION IS
AVAILABLE TO COMMANDERS AT EVERY LEVEL APPROVING TRAVEL WITHIN THE PACOM AOR.
2. THIS MESSAGE IS BEING PUBLISHED TO INSTITUTE A TRAVEL RESTRICTION FOR
CHINA AND HONG KONG BY PLACING BOTH OF THESE COUNTRIES OFF-LIMITS. ACTION IS
THE RESULT OF THE SARS WHERE THERE IS ONGOING TRANSMISSION AND AMPLIFIES REF
3. USPACOM RESTRICTS OFFICIAL TRAVEL BY ALL DOD PERSONNEL AND UNOFFICIAL
TRAVEL BY DOD MILITARY PERSONNEL TO ALL AREAS OF CHINA AND HONG KONG.
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- 4. PERMISSION TO TRAVEL TO OFF-LIMITS AREAS CAN ONLY BE GRANTED BY USPACOM/J02 AND ONLY FOR MISSION ESSENTIAL TRAVEL. THOSE WHO MUST TRAVEL TO CHINA OR HONG KONG WILL REGISTER WITH THE AMEMBASSY UPON ARRIVAL IN COUNTRY.
- 5. TRAVEL TO SINGAPORE AND HANOI, VIETNAM ARE PERMITTED BUT INDIVIDUALS SHOULD TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRECAUTIONS:
- 5.A. AVOID CROWDS OR PERSONNEL THAT ARE COUGHING OR HAVE FLU-LIKE SYMPTOMS.
 - 5.B. WASH HANDS OFTEN.
- 5.C. REPORT FOR MEDICAL EVALUATION IF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING SYMPTOMS NOTED IN THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL (CDC) DEFINITION OCCUR:
 - 5.C.1. TEMPERATURE OVER 100.4 DEGREES FAHRENHEIT, AND
- 5.C.2. SIGN OR SYMPTOM SIMILAR TO FLU (HEADACHE, MUSCLE ACHE AND SORE THROAT, AND/OR COUGH, SHORTNESS OF BREATH, OR DIFFICULTY BREATHING).
 6. MEDICAL PERSONNEL SHOULD TAKE THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:
- 6.A. SCREEN ALL PERSONNEL RETURNING FROM AREAS WHERE SARS TRANSMISSION IS OCCURRING FOR ILLNESSES CONSISTENT WITH THE CURRENT CDC DEFINITION OF SARS.
- 6.B. PREVENTION MEASURES INCLUDE MEDICAL ISOLATION OF SUSPECTED SARS INFECTED INDIVIDUALS.
- 6.C. INFECTION CONTROL MEASURES INCLUDE CAREFUL HAND WASHING AND USE OF BARRIER PRECAUTIONS SUCH AS MASKS, GOWN, AND GLOVES FOR HEALTHCARE WORKERS AND FAMILY MEMBERS.
- 6.D. CURRENT CDC INFORMATION WRT TRANSMISSION AREAS AND ALL OTHER ASPECTS OF SARS CAN BE FOUND AT WEBSITE WWW.CDC.GOV/NCIDOD/SARS.
- 6.E. EXPEDITE REPORTING PROCEDURES VIA NORMAL SERVICE CHANNELS.

 7. (SARS HAS CONTINUED TO SPREAD AND THE NUMBER OF REPORTED CASES IS NOW OVER 1800 WORLDWIDE WITH OVER 60 DEATHS. WHILE NO DOD PERSONNEL OR OTHER BENEFICIARIES HAVE BEEN REPORTED TO HAVE THE DISEASE, SARS IS CLEARLY A POTENTIAL THREAT TO OUR FORCES AND TO OUR READINESS TO ACCOMPLISH ANY MISSION. BASED ON THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION (WHO) BRIEFING OF 1 APR 2003, NO NEW CASES HAVE BEEN REPORTED IN VIETNAM FOR 7 DAYS AND SINGAPORE SEEMS TO HAVE CONTROLLED THE SPREAD OF SARS AS WELL.
- 8. THE OTHER USPACOM DOD TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS LISTED IN REF B REMAIN IN EFFECT.
- 9. THIS MESSAGE EXPIRES 15 JULY 2003 UNLESS SUPERSEDED EARLIER.//
- 10. MINIMIZE CONSIDERED. RELEASED BY S. ALLEN, CAPT, USN// $\ensuremath{\text{\mbox{\footnotesize PT}}}$

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